



Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure  
Examining Group 2859

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Gotkis et al.

Application No: 10/672,019

Filed: September 26, 2003

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THIN METAL  
FILM THICKNESS MEASUREMENT

Attorney Docket No: LAM2P437

Examiner: JAGAN, M.

Group Art Unit: 2859

Date: January 5, 2006

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	SMALL ENTITY RATE FEE	OR	LARGE RATE FEE	ENTITY
TOTAL CLAIMS	12 -	21	00	X25 = \$	OR	X50 = \$	
INDEP CLAIMS	02 -	03	00	X100 = \$	OR	X200 = \$	
[ ] Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid				\$180		X360	\$
			TOTAL	\$		\$	



Applicant(s) hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action.  
Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P437).



Enclosed is Check No. 15596 in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the additional extension of time fees.  
If the required fees are missing or any additional fees are required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, please charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P437).  
A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed on November 23, 2005. A two-month extension of time is petitioned for to extend the time for response to January 5, 2006. Please consider the following remarks in the above-identified patent application:

**Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.